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### **SB 2784**

### **RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS**

#### **Senate Committee on Ecology and Environmental Protection**

**Public Hearing - February 9, 1996  
1:15 P.M., Room 212, State Capitol**

By

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SB 2784 would amend Chapter 343, HRS to change the term, "negative declaration" to "finding of no significant impact".

Our comments on this measure are compiled from voluntarily submitted opinions of the listed academic sources, and as such, do not constitute an institutional position of the University of Hawaii.

This is a reasonable amendment and would serve to clarify the terminology and intent of the determination decision regarding whether or not an EIS is required. Furthermore, it will provide concurrence with federal language under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and thus simplify the language for projects falling under both federal and state EIS statutes.